

## **Media Arts Academy Laptop Requirements**

\*All students must provide their own laptops

Please be sure to read the bottom two paragraphs as well.

### **For all PC laptop users:**

All laptops must have Windows 7 installed.

We recommend that the laptop has Microsoft Office Professional 2010 installed. For PC, you can either purchase the Microsoft Office Professional 2010 software for \$499.95 here:

<http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/professional/>

OR you can purchase a Microsoft Office Professional 2010 license from The Media Arts Academy for \$70.

The only system requirements for the laptops are what Windows 7 requires to run, which are, at least:

1 gigahertz (GHz) or faster on a 32-bit (x86) or a 64-bit (x64) processor

1 gigabyte (GB) RAM on a 32-bit or 2 GB RAM on a 64-bit

16 GB available hard disk space on a 32-bit or 20 GB on a 64-bit

DirectX 9 graphics device with WDDM 1.0 or higher driver

Internet Access

### **For all Mac laptop users:**

All Mac laptops must have Mac OSX 10.5 or higher.

We recommend that the laptop has Microsoft Office for Mac: Home and Business 2011 installed.

You can purchase the Microsoft Office for Mac: Home and Business 2011 software for \$279.99 here:

<http://www.microsoft.com/mac/buy>

**\*Students will be using their laptops for academic use only. They will not be expected to use their computer in the Media Arts area for editing of any kind.**

**\*If you do not already have and do not wish to purchase Microsoft Office for your PC or Mac laptop, that is perfectly fine. We will also be using "OpenOffice". It is a free document, spreadsheet and presentation software that works across both Mac and PC platforms. You can learn more about OpenOffice at:**

<http://www.openoffice.org/>